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SUBJECT: VIETNAM ERA DESERTERS

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE
PRESIDENT HAS INITIATED A PROGRAM TO REVIEW THE DIS-
CHARGES OF FORMER SERVICE PERSONNEL OF THE VIETNAM ERA.
THE PROGRAM ENCOMPASSES THE RETURN TO MILITARY CONTROL,
DISCHARGE, AND DISCHARGE REVIEW OF CERTAIN VIETNAM ERA
DESERTERS.

2. EACH MILITARY DEPARTMENT IS PUBLISHING INSTRUCTIONS TO

BE FOLLOWED BY COMMANDERS OF OVERSEAS MILITARY INSTAL-
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LATIONS TO WHOM DESERTERS MAY APPLY FOR INFORMATION OR
SURRENDER THEMSELVES FOR DISCHARGE PROCESSING.
ADDITIONALLY, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED FOR
THE INFORMATION OF FOREIGN SERVICE POSTS TO ASSIST IN
HANDLING DESERTER INQUIRIES.

3. DESERTER INQUIRIES ORIGINATING IN A COMMONWEALTH,

TERRITORY OR TRUST OF THE UNITED STATES OR IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES HAVING AMERICAN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WILL BE REFERRED TO THE CLOSEST MILITARY INSTALLATION OF THE DESERTER'S FORMER SERVICE.

4. DESERTER INQUIRIES ORIGINATING IN A COMMONWEALTH, TERRITORY OR TRUST OF THE UNITED STATES OR IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES HAVING NO AMERICAN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS OF THE DESERTER'S FORMER SERVICE SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE APPROPRIATE SERVICE DESERTER INFORMATION CENTER FOR VERIFICATION AND FOLLOW-ON INSTRUCTIONS.

5. IN ALL CASES, DESERTERS SHOULD BE REMINDED THAT UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, THEIR FURNISHING THE FOLLOWING GENERAL INFORMATION MUST BE VOLUNTARY AND THEIR FAILURE TO DO SO MAY MAKE FURTHER PROCESSING OF THEIR REQUEST IMPOSSIBLE: NAME, SSN, FORMER SERVICE, FORMER RANK, BEGINNING DATE OF ABSENCE, LOCAL ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER.

6. THIS GENERAL INFORMATION SHOULD BE TRANSMITTED BY ELECTRONIC MESSAGE, AUTOVON TELEPHONE, OR BY MAIL TO THE APPROPRIATE SERVICE AS FOLLOWS:

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FT. BENJAMIN HARRISON, IN
AUTOVON TELEPHONE: 699-3355
MAILING ADDRESS: COMMANDER, USAER&EC
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MAILING ADDRESS: BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL
NAVY DEPARTMENT//PERS 83//
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20370

MARINE CORPS: ELECTRONIC MSG: CMC CODE MPH60 WASH., D.C.
AUTOVON TELEPHONE: 224-2180/5569
MAILING ADDRESS: COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE
CORPS
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
ATTN: MPH60
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RANDOLPH AFB TX
AUTOVON TELEPHONE: 487-4545
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CENTER
ATTN: DPMAKE
RANDOLPH AFB, TEXAS
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WASHINGTON, D.C.
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